

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS paragraph [0001], with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0001] The present application claims the benefit of French Application No. 0300808, filed January 24, 2003, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/507,998, filed ~~October 3, 2003~~
October 2, 2003, the disclosures of which are incorporated by reference herein.